

COUNTY NEWS ITEMS

ABSOLUTELY RELIABLE NEWS GATHERED BY THE LIVE WIRES OF THE CUR- RENT.

Caught From the Gale at KNOWLES.

Lawrence Crockett, of the Pearl district was an interesting visitor in Knowles last week.

Jodie Graham was in town the first time in many months last week.

C. D. Reed the El Paso booster, was a caller among the boys of the town, the other day.

W. K. Barr, of Lovington, was over to see if everything was alright in this town.

H. I. Knowles made a trip to Carlsbad, on a matter of business, last week.

Claud Criswell, of Lubbock, Texas, was a business visitor in Knowles a few days ago.

Lute Beach of Monument, came up to remain a few hours, to talk politics last week.

Judge Martin, formerly of Gaines county, Texas, was a business caller in town, couple days last week.

Stu Snell came in from the Graham ranch the other day, put in the night, and returned home.

F. E. Wright, who went to Hope, some days ago, on business matters, returned to his claim a few days ago.

L. Magnus, of Lovington, made us a gentleman's visit the other day.

Harris Garrett, came in from the ranch to five miles west of us, taking in the Thanksgiving dance.

J. F. Flowers has added much in the way of looks and convenience to his store this week by the rearrangement and the addition of new show cases.

Henry Faves, a Lovington business man, called in to see if business was properly conducted here.

Terry and Carter, ranchmen from across the line, near Nadine, were business callers in town last week.

H. B. Dunagan, the Magnolia manager for this district, was in town the other day, looking after his interests.

Cubby Woods, the young scout from the west, was a happy traveler here last week.

W. A. Heath, of Plains, Texas, was a business caller in Knowles a few days ago.

Emery King, one of the Gaines county, Texas, boys, was in town looking around last week.

Pat Murphy, and Engineer Cooley, of the Lovington garage, were callers in town the other day.

Nat Camp came in from the ranch in his new Buick for a visit last Friday.

H. C. Sands was out from Carlsbad delivering a new light Six Buick to Uncle Joe Graham, last week.

Col. Warren, an old school-mate of John Emerson's, (from Missouri), was a visitor here last week.

Jimmy Keenum came in from the ranch on a matter of business the other day.

Ace Christmas, one of our old time friends, made us a pleasant and highly appreciated visit, last week.

Pioneer Judge Webb, the first judge of Gaines county, Texas, was a pleasant caller in town a few days ago.

Uncle Joe Graham came over last Thursday evening to sit a while and enjoy the Thanksgiving ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holloway returned from Lamesa, Texas, with a load of merchandise for local consumption last week.

Walter Pendleton rustled a car-load of young folks, and braved the storm last Thursday, and came out from Carlsbad to take in the big dance.

Chas. Elam was in town the other day, from the ranch north of us, looking after kitchen necessities just to please the ladies.

The Emerson Mercantile Company have had their Bowser Gas plant installed in front of their store, so as to be able to better serve car-drivers.

Squire Benton Henry Mosley spruced up like an Austrian ambassador and hiked it out somewhere the other day and came back looking like success.

Dr. Brice, a brother of Judge Brice of Carlsbad, came in from Lamesa,

Texas, inspecting the progress of this country, last week, and states this section is in better shape than anything he has seen lately.

Winter has scarcely arrived and wood is commanding about \$9.00 per cord—makes a noise like silver at least to the customer.

Nay Stiles returned from Roswell last Friday and reports a good trip, all except turning over his car, and only broke off one wheel, with no other injury at all.

Mrs. F. D. McCusky, of Gilman City, Mo., is her on an indefinite visit. She is a sister of Judge O. H. Greene.

Fiddler Brooks, the mechanical genius of Seminole, was in Knowles for a short visit last Monday and stated he was very favorably impressed with the prosperous condition of this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pung were in the city last Monday interviewing the merchants with a view of getting ready for the approaching cold wave.

John L. Emerson was called to Carlsbad on a matter of business last Monday morning intending to return in the next few days.

Col. Peveler and sons, Dennis and Graham, who were residents in this section for many years, and moved to Spur, Texas, a couple of years ago, sold their holdings at that point, and returned here last week, and will no doubt locate here, if they find a ranch that will enable them to again invest in stock.

Colonel Frank Hardin, Elbert Shipp and Boone Hardin, went to Carlsbad last Sunday morning attending to important business making the trip in the Colonel's new Oakland. He says he sorta likes to go to Carlsbad and meet up with and visit the hospitable people of that town.

The report is, Charles Loyd, made a trip to Seminole, Texas, last Monday and procured a necessary instrument from county clerk Curry, which he very much desired in a matrimonial way. We haven't the pleasure of the acquaintance with the bride, but we understand she is a sister of Dow Woods, of Lovington, and we wish them much joy, happiness galore and multiplied years.

A baptism was pulled off at one of the big tanks a short distance north of town, last Sunday the services were conducted by Rev. Hardin (not the Colonel).

It was stated that the water wasn't quite as warm as it was last August.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Willhoit, accompanied by their son, Douglas, and family, arrived here last Monday from Uvalde, Texas, visiting their sons, Mathias and Frank. They are quite favorably impressed with this section and may decide to remain permanently but find the climate not quite as salubrious as they have been accustomed to, in south Texas.

We notice that hustler Turner is still doing business the same old way in the creamery line. He is shipping from nine to thirteen hundred pounds of cream every week, just as if the winter season wasn't at hand. This business is found to be quite an item in business on the plains, bringing in quite a material amount of cash every week.

Henry Teague returned from Midland last Sunday with a half car-load of merchandise. He reports the several sand storms he was caught in, filled the roads up with sand so as to be almost impassible, requiring a full week to make the trip back from Midland.

The cemetery committee seems to be having trouble finding any fence for the purpose intended. The various hardware concerns evidently being some shy on this particular article at the present time.

We note several loads of Mexicans reuniting from Lamesa, Texas, en route to Carlsbad which they call home. Mr. Todd the cotton expert, attempted to detain them by offering them five dollar per hundred to bid, for a week or two, but nixy, homo is what they wanted, for Carlsbad is good enough for most anybody either rich or poor—'tis a home for either.

I skin on seems to be the policy of some folks when they slip their stock into some one else's inclosures. Extreme measures seem to be the only thing which will bring results and same will no doubt soon receive a trial, if this nefarious practice is not discontinued.

Col. Billy Barlow and family were visitors in Knowles this week. Mr.

Barlow formerly conducted the garage here and is now engineer for the big traction outfit at Big Springs, Texas, their principal business is moving houses, and other heavy work.

He states they have been very busy during the entire past season.

Tom White has been quite busy during the past week moving his cows and calves, to his pasture in Gaines county, Texas, near Seminole. He is retaining his dry stuff at his ranch northwest of Lovington but states his range at the latter place to be quite short, and may be compelled to move the balance of the stuff during the winter.

The blizzard that sprang up Thanksgiving morning was a peach, rain, sleet, snow, and some sand, with the sand as their principal ingredient.

No one venturing out, unless it was absolutely necessary. Many a fire driver was kept waiting for guests that never came, but fortunately for the merry-makers, for the ball, the storm abated about sundown.

The Texas Oil Company, heavy-weight McNemus, manager for this section, was a business visitor in Knowles looking after the interests of his concern. His presence here during the storm showed he knew his business and how to attend to it.

Miss Dallas the chewing gum queen, from Lubbock, Texas, was in town last week carrying a nifty line of conversation, as part of her stock in trade, and convincing the merchants the absolute necessity of carrying her goods in stock. She is touring the state and enjoying the gentle breezes.

The exercises indulged in last Saturday P. M. may be classed as too funny for anything but some folks fail to see anything amusing in such Mutt and Jeff stunts.

Preacher Willhoit has been having public services in a physical way on the public square during the past week. Judging by the result, it apparently is a perfect success, in the way of his intentions.

L. Griffin, the hustling salesman for Radford and Company, of Lubbock, Texas, pulled into town in the very midst of the terrific Thanksgiving storm, looking like a pet bear. Griffin says the weather has no terror for him he comes and goes, rain or shine.

Stevenson has the following to say about a friend: "So long as we love, we serve, so long as we are loved by others, I would almost say, we are indispensable, and no man is useless while he has a friend."

The genial managers of the Hotel De Knowles kindly invited their friends to the sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner which was a perfect dream in this or any other country and to say that it received due justice by all participants, is a mild expression—made all wish for another just like it, minus the prevailing sand storm—that, however, cut no ice with their ravenous appetites.

Charley McDaniel was noticed starting to Lamesa, Texas, last Sunday morning, with an over-luxurious load of cotton to be ginned and marketed at that point. These big cotton wagons rolling around remind us of the Big Ben bottoms all to the good.

Howard & Womack, of Young county, Texas, were in this vicinity prospecting for a horse ranch last week. They went south last Monday noon, and will probably land in the Empire country, if they find a body of land large enough to meet with their requirements.

Sam Cain, the efficient deputy from the Hobbs district, was in Knowles last Thursday, and decided to remain for the big ball that night, to see that no unusual stunts were pulled off, but he states that he never had seen so large a crowd gather to celebrate with over a crowd word during the entire night. A few ranchers as a rule is not a Sunday school teacher, but when met with courteous treatment, he generally does his part, according to his views.

J. A. Moran, of the Plainview garage, at Dallas, Texas, arrived here last week and has taken charge of the local garage and has been busy early and late, since his arrival on numerous cars which needed expert attention. Mr. Moran has been employed at the Plainview garage during the past six years, and comes well recommended and claims if his work is not satisfactory there will be no charges.

The Thanksgiving ball, as usual, was very much enjoyed, about 125 taking part in the blow-out. Lovington, Eunice and Monument furnishing their full quota of the revelers. Cars even came out from Carlsbad—comer thru the bad and storm, so as to be present, and not miss their part of the fun. The program was concluded at 4 a. m., all happy and ready to come again.

HEXAMER MAKES VICTORIOUS
SHOT AT ADMINISTRATION.

Never one so Miserable, Contemptible and Weak Kneed, He Says in Milwaukee. Was "Neutrality" Talk. Advance Copies Did Not Contain Savage Attacks Reported in German Press.

Milwaukee, Nov. 27.—When Dr. C. J. Hexamer, of Philadelphia, president of the National German-American Alliance, appeared at a mass-meeting of German-Americans here last night, it was an advocate of American neutrality in the great war on the other side of the world. He gave out an advance copy of his address in English, but his spoken version, as reported by the German Herald, the city's one German newspaper, contained savage attacks upon the president which were not to be found in the copy given out to the English newspaper men. The hyphenated mass-meeting gave hyphenated honors to the songs of the United States and Germany, for the audience of 5000 stood for both the singing of "America" and "Die Wacht Am Rhein."

The attitude of the German press toward the meeting as a neutrality gathering was expressed in the newspaper introduction to the report of the meeting, which declared, "Germany last night spoke to her children, spoke loudly and clearly, and awakened an en-

thusiastic, spirited echo in the hearts of thousands."

Apparently this was too Germanic a tone for even Milwaukee, the German Athens of America, for in the afternoon edition of the same newspaper this introduction was modified to the mere announcement that a great demonstration marked the tenth anniversary of the Wisconsin German-American Alliance.

The satiric attacks on the administration by Dr. Hexamer, wildly cheered by the thousands in the audience, and not included in the advance copy of his address given out to the representatives of the American press, and therefore not printed in the English newspapers, included the following phrases:

"Accursed be he who sows in our most beautiful land, our glorious republic, the seeds of a civil discord, by his name Kuntz or Hintz (Tom, Dick or Harry), Theodore or Woodrow."

"Who dares say that we have no right in this country, that we should leave it? We have the right, and will let no one take it from us—much less people of their sort."

"We have never had so miserable week-kneed, contemptible an administration as the present."

Would Lift English Yoke.

"We do not wish to establish a new political party. A party based upon racial or religious differences would be a calamity to the country. The German-American has enough common sense to know how to vote when the proper time comes."

"We want to spread German ideals for the benefit of our country; and we consider the hyphen an honor."

"America, but of a German-Americanism."

"We believe that he who must be told what he shall eat and drink is not a man, but a dishonor."

"We must free this country from the English yoke, under which it now labors."

"I have traveled this country over, and have conversed with men in all states from the negro porter on the train to the governors of states, and I believe that the people as a whole are neutral and want to remain neutral. They do not want war."

"Do not be deceived by the lies in the Anglo-American press. The American is coming to see the truth, and with characteristic humor he is beginning to dup the allies the allies."

"The British are stopping American shipping at will. And this is the vaunted American freedom of the twentieth century."

"Let us free this country from the shame under which it now rests."

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CHICKEN JOE TO HANG
FOR MURDER IN PEN.

Joilet, Ill., Nov. 30.—Joseph Campbell, a negro convict, was today found guilty of murdering Mrs. Maizie Odette Allen, wife of former Warden Allen, in the warden's apartments in the state penitentiary here.

The verdict fixed the punishment at hanging. It was returned after forty-four hours' deliberation by the jury.

Frederick L. Barnett, Campbell's attorney, asked for a new trial and December 20 was set for a hearing on this motion. Counsel for the defense intimated they would carry the fight to the supreme court.

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ELECTRICAL SPECIAL-
TY MANUFACTORY.

It may not be generally known, but Carlsbad contains a general manufacturing factory for electrical supplies of all kinds where all and everything in the line, starting generator in electrical apparatus, or storage battery line can be rebuilt and the equal of which in the manufacturing line is not to be found in any other town in New Mexico, or, in fact, in the whole of the central west.

Some four weeks ago Manager Kerr of the Carlsbad Automobile Company decided to build a room and equip it fully for this class of work and at once took up the matter of the structure with Contractor Hamilton who not only built the room, but equipped it with concrete work benches, which are also an innovation in the line of work shops. The plan was to build a room of ample capacity that would be fire proof and it was, therefore, ceiled with steel and built with concrete floor and brick walls. In this room which is twelve feet square, in the southeast corner of the big garage of the Carlsbad Auto Company was placed all the electrical machinery and equipment necessary to rebuild lighting generator-motors, storage batteries, etc. The capacity of the plant is for twenty four storage batteries at one time and the whole is in charge of Bob Hunsiek who for the past fifteen years, has made a specialty of the re-winding of generators, the repair of motors, lighting generators, storage batteries and the hundred other things that concern the electrical engineer. He was for several years before coming here five years ago, assistant chief electrician of the 22nd street plant of the National Tube Company, of Pittsburgh, Penna., a company that employs 4,000 men.

Since coming here his services have been in demand by the P. U. Company in re-winding the big generator at the lower dam.

Mr. Hunsiek, who has personal supervision of the electrical supply work for the big garage, guarantees that the work of recharging batteries, lighting generators, etc., will be done promptly for the capacity of the plant is twenty five that can be recharged at one time. The charges are reasonable being from fifty cents to \$1.50 when no other repair work except the recharging is necessary.

It is fortunate for Carlsbad that Mr. Kerr has put in this plant, for now there will be no necessity of sending the lighting generators and storage batteries away to have them recharged. Besides the work of rebuilding all of this class of machinery will be done in the time that might be consumed in sending it away and at a cost of much less than can be done elsewhere.

THE VOLT, UNIT OF ELECTRIC PRESSURE.

The term volt (V) owes its name to Alessandro Volta, inventor of the electric battery. Volta was born at Como, Italy, Feb. 18, 1745, in a house where the Volta family had lived for more than 400 years. When a child, strange as it may seem, he was very backward. He was thin and pale, and other little boys thought him dull, indeed. He was four years old when he spoke his first word, "no." From the time of this event, however, his mind seemed to turn entirely to the wonders of nature. Many times as a child he almost lost his life in exploring caves and old places where people never went. At sixteen he wrote poetry, and at seventeen he won prizes in philosophy. At eighteen the famous Albe, court, impressed with the boy's knowledge, had him write essays on electricity for the great men of the day, because people know very little about this mighty force in those times.

As a young man Volta went on long trips into other countries, and once in 1782 he met Benjamin Franklin. In London, Berlin and Paris he was given all the honors the world's great men received. The first consul founded the Volta prize, which was once conferred on Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone. Bonaparte gave Volta a sword and made him a senator of Lombardy. The emperor took the same kind of liking to Robert Fulton and gave Fulton 10,000 francs to help the Yankee to keep up on French soil his experiments with submarine boats. It is told of Bonaparte that he once visited the National institute and found there a laurel wreath on a bronze tablet, on which were the words, "Au Grand Voltaire." The emperor, erased the last three letters, thus making it read, "To the Great Volta."

Volta really had nothing more to do with what is now called a volt than dozens of other men of science. Volta found out a lot of things electricity could do, but this was long before anybody dreamed that almost everything in the world can be run by electricity and before it was decided its power could be measured. It was when the scientists got together in later years and decided to give names to what they had learned about electricity that they picked out an electrical unit of pressure and called it a volt. This was long before Mr. Edison was born, and so we find none of these units named after the famous wizard of Menlo Park who first made it possible for everybody to use the electric light, the talking machine and the "movies."

The fact that you can't pick off a chunk of electricity and hold it in your hand and poke it with your finger has stirred up a whole lot of mystery about what really now is a very simple thing.

One of the first things the fathers of electricity learned was that there is a force "from behind"—pressure—in electricity.

You get an idea of what is meant by pressure when you remember the garden hose playing over the lawn. When it only "half worked" and throw a stream only a little way you said it lacked "pressure." As the pressure was greater the hose "worked" better. This pressure was the power "back behind" in the water pipe. It is always there, but cannot show itself in action, until you turn on the faucet at the house. Then it tries to escape, the power "back behind" pressing the water on and out. Electricity flows exactly the same way, except that you cannot see it, although you feel what it does. The second you "turn on" the switch the electricity flows; the power in the wire is always there seeking to be free and out work.

Nowadays it is very simple to measure this electricity pressure. So if you have a wire filled with electricity, instead of the garden hose filled with water, and want to make an electric vacuum cleaner go you will understand that you must have an electric current of just enough strength or pressure enough to make the little wheels turn and keep revolving. Nearly all house currents have 110 volts pressure.

A volt, then, is the pressure that is needed to force a current of electricity of a certain quantity through a wire of given resistance, or, to speak in

Backache

Miss Myrtle Cothrum, of Russellville, Ala., says: "For nearly a year, I suffered with terrible backache, pains in my limbs, and my head ached nearly all the time. Our family doctor treated me, but only gave me temporary relief. I was certainly in bad health. My school teacher advised me to TAKE

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scientific terms, a volt is the pressure required to force one ampere of current through a conductor having one ohm resistance. These terms will be fully explained in the succeeding lectures. These are added by the size of the wire, the distance to be traveled, and so on, and will be explained in the succeeding "Electricity for your home course" you are sure to soon know all about electricity as it is used today.

(Next Electricity—The Ampere, Unit of Electric Current Strength.)

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MURDER MYSTERY RAFFLES
POLICE OF DALLAS, TEXAS.

Body of Well Known Woman Found in Ravine by Negro Boys Hunting Rabbits; Strangled by Handkerchiefs.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 27.—The body of Mrs. Hugh Perry, wife of a well-to-do Dallas business man, was found in a ravine a short distance outside of Oak Cliff, a suburb. The throat bore evidence of strangulation.

Although Mrs. Perry disappeared November 15, the police and an investigator said she had not been dead more than forty-eight hours. Her disappearance had been kept secret by the police, who have been searching for her without finding any clues, for ten days.

The body was fully clothed, even to a new corset, said Mrs. Perry, who purchased the disappearance of her disappearance. There were no marks of a struggle about the body, but two handkerchiefs, apparently a man's, were knotted tightly about her throat. There was a bruise apparently made by a blow above one ear. The wrists bare faint marks, which some of the officers took to be nail points.

Two negro boys, hunting rabbits, found the body. The police said they had no doubt that Mrs. Perry's body was taken to the ravine after she had been killed.

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